

A METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR ILLUSTRATING SOUND AND TEXT**ABSTRACT**

A method and system (10) for illustrating sound and text comprising a book (18) with pages (20) including illustrations and/or text, wherein at least some of the pages (20) include magnetic signatures (24). The system further includes a book holder (12) adapted to accept the book (18). As such, the book holder (12) has a reading surface (14) with a magnetic signature sensor (16), a cartridge slot (36), a reading controller (42), a speaker (44), and a power supply (46). The system also comprises a cartridge (34) adapted to be inserted in the cartridge slot (36). The cartridge (34) includes stored audio representations related to the illustrations and/or text of the pages (20). The magnetic signature sensor (16) is predisposed to detect the magnetic signatures (24) on the pages (20) as they are turned by a user viewing the book (18). Furthermore, the reading controller (42) is adapted to interact with the magnetic signature sensor (16) to determine what page or pages (20) the user is viewing and to retrieve the audio representations of the illustrations and/or text stored on the cartridge (34) corresponding to the page or pages (20) being viewed by the user. Thus, the reading controller (42) reproduces the audible sounds related to the retrieved audio representations through the speaker (44) for listening by the user.

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